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SUBJECT: BENNY CARTER

REF: STATE 294572; STATE 282418

1. CARTER ITINERARY: JAN. 12, ARRIVAL 1430 FROM DAMASCUS VIA SURFACE. 1700-1830 CONCERT AT UNIVERSITY OF JORDAN. 1900-2030 RECEPTION AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE FOR 200. (CARTER GROUP CAN ARRIVE AFTER 1900, IF NECESSARY.) JAN. 13: DEPARTURE 1130 FOR JERASH/IRBID VIA SURFACE. 1230 STOP AT ANCIENT CITY OF JERASH. 1400 LUNCH AT JERASH. 1500 DEPART FOR IRBID. 1730 CONCERT IRBID TRADE SCHOOL UNDER SPONSORSHIP OF MAYOR. 2130 INFORMAL DINNER AT CAO CALLAHAN'S RESIDENCE. JAN. 14: AM FREE. FILMING AT JORDAN TELEVISION BEING ARRANGED. 2000 CONCERT UNDER ROYAL PATRONAGE AT ORTHODOX CLUB. 2130 BUFFET AT ORTHODOX CLUB. JAN. 15: DEPARTURE 0800 FOR AIRPORT. RJ501 ETD 1000. ETA CAIRO 1215.

2. ACCOMMODATIONS INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL (BEST IN JORDAN). DUE HEAVY BOOKING FIVE SINGLES AVAILABLE, TWO DOUBLES. ON WAITING LIST FOR MORE SINGLES.

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3. IT IS DIFFICULT TO HAVE CONCERT JORDAN UNIVERSITY AFTER 1700 FOR VARIETY REASONS INCLUDING DESIRE GET LARGEST POSSIBLE CROWD. AT SAME TIME, JORDAN UNIVERSITY IS LARGE AUDIENCE AND WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT HAVE CONCERT THERE. WE THEREFORE STRONGLY RECOMMEND HOLDING 1700 JORDAN UNIVERSITY CONCERT FOLLOWED BY RECEPTION AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE AT 2000. THIS WOULD REQUIRE DEPARTURE VIA CAR FROM DAMASCUS DY 1030. WE WILL EXPEDITE BORDER CROSSING AND COULD SUPPLY BOX LUNCH IS DESIRED.

4. BERGER SCHEDULE: PROGRAM AT CENTER FOR UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS AND JORDANIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON JAN. 13 AT 1900.

5. FREIGHT RESERVATIONS MADE PER STATE 294572: 250 POUNDS MS815 JAN. 16, 500 POUNDS RJ501 JAN. 15.

6. IF THERE ARE ANY PROBLEMS WITH ABOVE SCHEDULE, LET US KNOW IMMEDIATELY.
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